

## Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 STATE 210368

12  
ORIGIN NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 H-02 /013 R

DRAFTED BY NEA/ARN:TJCAROLAN:GCB  
APPROVED BY NEA/ARN:PKBULLEN  
H:ASCHNEE

----- 099173

R 042118Z SEP 75  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY AMMAN

UNCLAS STATE 210368

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OTRA, US, JO

SUBJECT:VISIT BY U.S. ENTERTAINERS TO JORDAN

1. FOLLOWING AUG 25TH LETTER TO AMBASSADOR PICKERING FROM  
SENATOR STROM THURMOND, REQUESTING HELP IN OBTAINING  
AUDIENCE WITH KING HUSSEIN FOR TOURING GROUP OF AMERICAN  
GOSPEL AND COUNTRY MUSIC ENTERTAINERS, WAS RECEIVED IN  
DEPT, SEPT 4 : BEGIN TEXT - DEAR MR. AMBASSADOR:

PASTOR JIMMY R. SNOW OF NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE, WHO HOSTS A  
RADIO ANDTELEVISION SHOW, 'GRAND OLE GOSPEL TIME', WHICH  
IS HEARD AND SEEN AROUND THE WORLD, IS LEADING A TOUR OF  
APPROXIMATELY 150 PERSONS TO SEVERAL COUNTRIES IN THE MIDDLE  
EAST FROM SEPTEMBER 23 TO OCTOBER 8.

THE GROUP WILL INCLUDE SEVERAL PROMINENT COUNTRY MUSIC EN-  
TERTAINERS, SUCH AS HANK SNOW AND STU PHILLIPS, BOTH OF THE  
WORLD FAMOUS GRAND OLE OPRY, AND MERLE KILGORE, AND POSSIBLY  
OTHERS, AS WELL AS THE EVANGEL TEMPLE CHOIR AND BAND. HIGH-  
LIGHTS OF THIS TRIP WILL BE FILMED TO BE SHOWN LATER AS A  
TELEVISION SPECIAL.

THEY WILL BE IN JORDAN ON SEPT 28TH AND 29TH, AND PASTOR  
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 STATE 210368

SNOW HAS ASKED THAT I CONTACT YOU REQUESTING YOUR ASSISTANCE

IN ARRANGING AN AUDIENCE WITH KING HUSSEIN ON EITHER OF THOSE TWO DAYS. IT IS MY HOPE THIS REQUEST CAN BE GRANTED, AND I WILL CERTAINLY APPRECIATE YOUR EFFORTS IN THIS REGARD.

IN ADDITION, IF SO REQUESTED, PLEASE EXTEND ANY AND ALL OTHER APPROPRIATE COURTESIES AND ASSISTANCE TO THIS GROUP WHILE THEY ARE IN JORDAN.

I HOPE YOU ARE DOING NICELY, AND WITH KINDEST REGARDS AND BEST WISHES, VERY TRULY, /S/ STROM THURMOND - END TEXT.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING EARLY RESPONSE TO FOREGOING LETTER FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SENATOR THURMOND. DEPARTMENT HAS ALREADY ADVISED HIS OFFICE OF POSSIBILITY THAT KING MAY BE AWAY FROM JORDAN OR OTHERWISE PREOCCUPIED IN LATE SEPTEMBER. KISSINGER

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** n/a  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 04 SEP 1975  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** n/a  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** n/a  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:**  
**Disposition Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1975STATE210368  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** TJCAROLAN:GCB  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** N/A  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** D750307-0019  
**From:** STATE  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1975/newtext/t19750983/aaaacvgn.tel  
**Line Count:** 79  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ORIGIN NEA  
**Original Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** RowellEO  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 03 MAR 2003  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <03 MAR 2003 by maustmc>; APPROVED <15 JAN 2004 by RowellEO>  
**Review Markings:**

Margaret P. Grafeld  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
06 JUL 2006

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** ISIT BY U.S. ENTERTAINERS TO JORDAN  
**TAGS:** OTRA, US, JO  
**To:** AMMAN  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006